

PUBLIC NOTICE

HUMAN SERVICES

DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES

Notice of Availability of Grant Funds

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS TO PROVIDE

SUPPORTIVE HOUSING SERVICES FOR PERSONS DISCHARGED FROM STATE PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITALS

Take notice that, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-34.4 and 34.6, the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) hereby announces the availability of the following grant program funds:

Name of Program: REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS TO PROVIDE

SUPPORTIVE HOUSING SERVICES FOR PERSONS DISCHARGED FROM STATE PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITALS

Purpose: This notice announces the availability of grant funding. The Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services seeks proposals for the development of supportive housing opportunities for 213 individuals. Specifically, the single RFP identifies four different initiatives to be developed to address the housing and community support needs of State Psychiatric Hospital discharge-ready individuals as identified by the DMHAS. Respondents are required to submit separate proposals for any of the four different initiatives in which they have an interest. The specific initiatives are:

1. CEPP –Supportive Housing: 130 consumers on CEPP to be served by enhanced Supportive Housing statewide.
2. Non-CEPP – Supportive Housing: 33 non-CEPP hospitalized consumers to be served by enhanced Supportive Housing statewide.
3. Forensically-involved commitment – Supportive Housing: - 25 consumers on CEPP with forensic involved commitment to be served by enhanced Supportive Housing statewide – with priority for Ancora Psychiatric Hospital catchment area, followed by Trenton Psychiatric Hospital catchment area.
4. Gloucester/Salem/Cumberland Tri-County RIST Team: 25 consumers on CEPP to be served by a new RIST team in the Tri-County area (respondent must serve all 25 consumers)./PACT slots for individuals diagnosed with a mental illness who are on CEPP status in a NJ state psychiatric hospital.

Amount of funding available:

The Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services is seeding to develop 213 supportive housing opportunities, within four distinct initiatives, for a total annualized amount of \$8.4M. Specifically the breakdown is as follows:

No. of consumers to be served	CEPP or Non-CEPP consumers in State Hospital System	Specialized Target Population or program	Funding (including subsidy) Available per person	Maximum total annualized funding amount for initiative
130	CEPP	Enhanced Supportive Housing	\$33,992	\$4,419,010
33	Non-CEPP	Enhanced Supportive Housing	\$33,992	\$1,121,736
25	CEPP	Forensically Involved – Enhanced Supportive Housing	\$75,000	\$1,875,000
25	CEPP	New RIST program for Gloucester/Salem/Cumberland County	\$40,000	\$1,000,000

All funding, subject to State appropriation, is expected to be available state-wide, with the exception of the New RIST program for Gloucester/Salem/Cumberland County, to serve a minimum of 213 individuals being discharged from the State Psychiatric Hospital System in enhanced supportive housing or RIST. Priority consideration will be given to those agencies that have already leveraged capital funding and have the ability to place consumers into new housing units by the end of FY13.

Organizations that may apply: In order to be eligible for consideration for this Request for Proposal, an applicant must be a corporation duly registered to conduct business within the State of New Jersey.

The applicant must demonstrate the ability to comply with all rules and regulations for any DMHAS program element of service proposed by the applicant.

The applicant must comply with the terms and conditions of the Department of Human Services' contracting rules and regulations as set forth in the DHS Standard Language Document, the Contract Reimbursement Manual (CRM), and the Contract Policy and Information Manual (CPIM).

Any corporation, as noted above, which meets the qualifications of the Department of Human Services' Contract Policy and Information Manual, N.J.A.C. 10:3, may apply. A copy of this manual can be accessed from the webpage of the Office of Contract Policy and Management webpage at:

http://dhs.state.nj.us/humanservices/ocpm/contract_manuals.htm.

Applicants may contact the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services Contract Unit at 609-777-0628 with general questions about the requirements in these manuals.

Procedure to apply: Effective November 20, 2012, eligible and interested organizations may obtain a Request for Proposal via the Internet at: <http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmhs/info/notices/> or by contacting Diana Gittens, at (609)777-0708. Proposals must be submitted in accordance with requirements stipulated in the Request for Proposal.

Mandatory Bidders' Conference: A Mandatory Bidders' Conference will be conducted for interested applicants. All applicants intending to submit a proposal in response to this request must attend the mandatory Bidders' Conference on November 28, 2012. Information regarding the time and location of the bidder's conference may be found in the Request for Proposal. *Proposals submitted by an applicant not in attendance at the bidder's conference will not be considered.*

Deadline by which all applications must be submitted: Applications must be received by 4:00 P.M., January 2, 2013. Respondents must submit proposals electronically in PDF format. Additionally, one hard copy of the proposal with an original signature and six additional hard copies must be submitted to the attention of Cathy Boland no later than 4:00 pm, January 2, 2013. No format other than the PDF and one original signed hardcopy and six hard copies will be accepted for this RFP.

Date by which applicants will be notified of preliminary decision to accept or reject proposal:

Applicants will be notified no later than February 14, 2013.

Jennifer Velez, Commissioner

Date